



## WHAT'S ON AT THE FRIENDS' SCHOOL

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### **Quaker Query of the Week**

*How can you help others whilst still helping yourself?*

*We acknowledge the current Year 8 students for contributions to the Quaker Query of the Week.*

### **Fair Success**

A huge thank you to the Parents & Friends Association, and to all those who helped the organising committee, for another wonderful Friends' School Fair. We are most appreciative of everyone's efforts. The resounding success of the fair was made possible by the positive involvement of so many staff, students, parents and wider School community.

Wonderful weather, quality music and food, and lots of interesting stalls helped to raise a record sum that will be used to benefit the students of the School. The day illustrated the strength, size and vibrancy of our community. Community events at The Friends' School give great pleasure and so I look forward to seeing many of you at the next big social occasion, the End of Year Gathering on Thursday 3 December, which this year will be held at the Federation Concert Hall.

John Green, Principal

### **Buy Back of Second Hand Books**

Birchalls Bookstore will again this year accept selected books for re-sale at their outlet, 147 Bathurst Street (opposite Mecure Hotel), on the following dates:

Years 10, 11 and 12: 24 November to 27 November between 9.00am and 5.00pm; and  
Years 7, 8 and 9: 1 December to 4 December between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

### **Cybersafety**

During term 3 2009 and Term 1 2010 our School will be participating as a 'lighthouse' school in a national cybersafety and well-being pilot program funded by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

The program is an initiative of the Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity protecting children from violence. It helps teachers and students embrace the benefits of technology and reduce students' exposure to cyberspace risks such as cyberbullying, identity theft and accessing or sending inappropriate images.

Through the pilot we'll be working towards becoming recognised as an 'eSmart school'. This will involve the whole school community, integrating cybersafety into our well-being policies and delivering curriculum around the smart, safe and responsible use of technology. We are looking for parents to join the steering group. If you are interested, please contact Lyn Johnston on 6210 2261 or email [ljohnston@friends.tas.edu.au](mailto:ljohnston@friends.tas.edu.au).

Regular updates will be provided through our newsletter and more information is available at [www.amf.org.au/cybersafety](http://www.amf.org.au/cybersafety).

### **Exchange Trip to Nancy, France**

We are seeking expressions of interest from students interested in a trip to our Sister School in Nancy, France next year. To be eligible, students must be undertaking studies in French in Year 11 and 12. Furthermore, students must be demonstrating a solid commitment to their studies in this area, meeting language proficiency levels based on the standards in place for Year 11 French, whether it be the pre-tertiary components or the IB Diploma ones.

The proposed trip will take place in the May-June holidays next year. It is thought that the itinerary will cater to both the educational and more cultural elements of France, including visiting Paris over a few days, spending time in our Sister School and in home-stay to get an experience of French family lifestyle.

It is difficult to outline specific costs until we have estimated numbers and a more detailed itinerary. But a recent quote was a bit over \$4000 and we are hoping to get the best fares available.

An expression of interest will not be construed as a firm commitment. Those interested should contact Gwen Hackel, Exchange Co-ordinator, telephone 6210 2200 or email [ghackel@friends.tas.edu.au](mailto:ghackel@friends.tas.edu.au). Confirmation of the trip will occur at the beginning of next year.

### **Homestay Families Required 2010**

We are seeking expressions of interest from families interested in hosting International or Australian students as part of the Homestay program for next year. Ideally, families will have a current connection with the School, with children in High School or Cemes. Families are asked to support the students academically, socially and emotionally. If you are interested in applying, or in hearing more about the program, email Nicola Collins [ncollins@friends.tas.edu.au](mailto:ncollins@friends.tas.edu.au) or telephone 0409 945 903.

### **Do You Need a Student Bus Pass Next Year?**

If 2009 is printed on your current bus pass and you need a new pass next year, please apply online at [www.transport.tas.gov.au](http://www.transport.tas.gov.au) or obtain an application form from any Service Tasmania shop.

If your pass is dated 2010, 2011, or 2012, simply keep using it until the end of that year, unless you travel on Metro buses. Any students catching a Metro bus next year and who are either applying for a new bus pass or have a 2010, 2011 or 2012 pass, must have (or need to apply for) a registered Metro Greencard. The Student Bus Pass will be integrated into the Greencard.

To apply for a Metro Greencard go online at [www.metrotas.com.au](http://www.metrotas.com.au) or contact Metro Hotline on 13 22 01. If you have any questions please phone 1300 851 225 or email [passenger.transport@dier.tas.gov.au](mailto:passenger.transport@dier.tas.gov.au) or [www.transport.tas.gov.au](http://www.transport.tas.gov.au)

### **Uniform Centre Opening Times Term 3**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Fri</b>
8.00-9.30am	8.00-9.30am	12 noon- 4.30pm	3.00-5.00pm	Closed

### **Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship**

Members of The Friends' School community are welcome to attend a short Meeting for Worship held each Wednesday morning during term time, starting at 7.45am. Just come quietly in when you can and join us until 8.20am in the Hobart Quaker Meeting House, which is located just below the Clemes office on Boa Vista Road.

## **Development Office**

### **Did You Know?**

*Did you know that The Friends' School has grown from just under 700 students in 1983 to nearly 1,350 today?*

### **P&F School Fair**

On behalf of the Parents and Friends Association I would like to thank students, staff and the amazing volunteers for a great effort. The Fair could not happen without your support. I am excited to report that the Fair raised over \$25,000 which will be used on a number of important projects throughout the School. I hope to be able to report a stall by stall breakdown next week.

Please keep the Fair in mind over the next twelve months when you are sewing or preserving or taking cuttings from your garden.

### **Volunteer Thank You Function**

We have been delighted with the amount of help we have had this year from volunteers. Please come along on 4 December between 12 Noon and 2.00pm and give John Green and the Development Office team a chance to thank you for really making a difference.

If you have helped or would like to nominate someone you know who has given of their time then please contact Kalli McCarthy on 6210 2282 or [kmccarthy@friends.tas.edu.au](mailto:kmccarthy@friends.tas.edu.au) to RSVP.

*Steve McQueeney, Development and Community Relations Manager*

# MORRIS

## **Morris Library**

As the end of the year approaches we are seeking the return of all library books to the collection for the summer.

Over the remaining weeks of term notices will be sent home for books that are currently overdue. Could you please help your child to look for and return any books that are listed on the overdue notice. Should any of the books be lost it is very important that you return the notice to the library so that we can update the records. This will ensure that your child does not begin next year with books still issued to them. Donations for lost books are welcomed and can be returned to the Morris library in a named, sealed envelope.

The last day for students to borrow books will be Friday 27 November. All books will need to be returned by 4 December.

*Shelley McMorran, Librarian*

### **Kinder and Prep Learn To Swim**

The Kinder/Prep Learn to Swim program will be held at Friends Health & Fitness during the week Monday 16 November - Friday 20 November. Students will require bathers, towel and cap (essential). Notes will go home shortly. Any enquiries please contact Lisa Di Venuto on 6210 2228.

### **K-2 Mini Sports Day**

The K-2 Mini Sports Day will be held on Friday 27 November commencing at 12.00pm on the Bottom Green (Argyle Street campus). Students will participate in a variety of events that they have been practising during Physical Education. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

### **Year 6 Coming Events**

#### **Orford Camp**

Year 6 students will be camping overnight in tents at the Friends' School block of land at Orford. Students will be traveling by bus and departing school at 9.00am on Thursday 19 November and returning at 3.00pm on Friday 20 November. Many activities will fit in with their current Unit of Inquiry - A Faith Like Mine.

Tuesday 1 December - Year 6 visit Churches (detailed letter sent to students)

Friday 4 December - Year 6 Social - 7.00pm to 8.30pm - Frank Wells Hall

# HIGH SCHOOL

## **Year 10 CASC Day**

Year 10 Students will be receiving letters this week outlining their commitment for their CASC day on Thursday 3 December. Could parents please ensure that the permission form attached is signed and returned to the High School Office by Thursday 19 November.

It is important that students honour their commitments to the organisations involved. In the event of illness or absence, it is important to contact both the organisation mentioned on the letter and the High School Office as early as possible. For further information please contact Sam Manson, Year 10 Co-ordinator.

### **SRC/House Captain Elections**

This past week has seen our Year 7, 8, and 9 students voting to elect the 2010 SRC and House Captains. These important positions provide a valuable leadership opportunity for Year 10 students to engage with and support the School community through student-led initiatives. We were impressed with the very strong nominee base from which eight House Captains and eight SRC members will be elected. All participants are to be congratulated for their commitment and endeavour throughout this process. Results should be announced shortly.

### **Buyback of Second Hand Books**

Over the past week we have run a notice for students on the morning bulletin providing information on the process in place for the buyback of used textbooks. Please refer to the article on page 1 of this newsletter for details.

Students may consider a book swap arrangement with members of their tutor group as an alternative to reselling texts. They are encouraged to use long tutor time if wanting to make these arrangements.

Year 7 students are asked to keep their Mathematics text, Atlas and Science text to carry over into 2010.

### **Uniform**

After our warm weather earlier in the week, it is timely to remind students of some uniform matters. Students are required to wear their blazers to and from School. They will be advised on warmer days if their blazers are not needed. Students who have a valid reason for wearing sports gear need to bring a note to the High School Office.

### **Dance Concert**

All Dance classes are presenting their many and varied dances next Thursday 19 November in the Bill and Marjorie Oats Theatre from 7.30pm until 8.45pm.

Parents, friends and staff are invited to watch students perform Contemporary, Hiphop, Jazz, Bollywood, Spanish, Beginner Pointe etc. The Dance Film created by the Year 9/10 class will also be screened for the first time. It will be an entertaining hour of dance.

# CO-CURRICULAR

## Music

### Music Instrument Recall

During the final weeks of this school year the Music Department will be performing a Musical Instrument stocktake. All students who have a Friends' School instrument are asked to return it and all its accessories to the Music Department by Friday 4 December. If you are no longer learning an instrument at School, but may have had an instrument at home, we would be very grateful if you would please take this opportunity to check. Should students wish to have the instrument over the summer holidays, it can be checked out and collected again on Friday 11 December. Remaining instruments will be re-distributed at the beginning of the 2010 School year.

### Instrumental/Vocal Music Tuition

Please be advised that private Music Tuition will conclude for this year on Friday 4 December. Tuition will resume at the beginning of the 2010 School year. Thank you for all of your support for our wonderful sessional music program and teachers. We look forward to having your students involved in this vibrant learning program again in 2010. We will assume that students will be continuing private tuition unless you advise the School that you are discontinuing.

*Craig Fullerton, Director of Music*

## Sport Rosters

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>Basketball</b>		
<b>Tuesday 17 November</b>		
Y9 Girls Red v Sacred Heart	Sacred Heart	4.15pm
Y9 Girls Blue v Mt. Carmel G	Moonah Stadium	4.15pm
<b>Cricket</b>		
<b>Monday 16 November</b>		
Y7-8 Boys v St. Virgil's	St. Virgil's JPC	4.30pm
<b>Tuesday 17 November</b>		
Y8-9 Boys v Hutchins	Bell Street	4.30pm
<b>Wednesday 18 November</b>		
Y9-10 Girls v Ogilvie M	Bell Street	4.30pm
<b>Softball</b>		
<b>Thursday 19 November</b>		
Y8 Girls v Mt. Carmel	Lower Queenborough	4.15pm

# CALENDAR 2009

For all calendar and term dates, please refer to our website [www.friends.tas.edu.au](http://www.friends.tas.edu.au) and click on school calendar located on left hand side.

## November

16	Year 7 2010 Parent Information night
16-20	Kinder and Prep Learn to Swim
17-18	Lea 7 Oats Lea Camp
17	Parents & Friends Meeting
18	High School Soiree
19-20	Year 6 Camp - Orford
19	Families Matter - Engaging Adolescents
23-27	Connections Week
	Year 10 Exams
27	K-Y2 Mini Sports Day
	Year 10 Formal
26	Families Matter - Engaging Adolescents
30-1 December	Year 10 Clemes orientation
30	Year 7 orientation
	Morris orientation

## December

2-3	Year 10 CASC/Outdoor Education
3	End of Year Gathering
4	Year 6 Leavers Gathering and Social
	Year 10 Big Day Out
	Volunteer's Thank You Function
5-9	Year 10 hard walk
7	Years 3-6 Soiree
8	Board Meeting
9	Year 10 Farewell Assembly
10	End of Term 3
	Years 7-9 Final Assembly
11	Staff Day
19	1999 Reunion
22	School office closes

## January

4	School office re-opens
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## Term Dates for 2010

Term 1	Thursday 4 February	Friday 21 May
Easter	Friday 2 April	Friday 9 April
Term 2	Wednesday 16 June	Friday 3 September
Semester Break	Monday 19 July	
Term 3	Monday 20 September	Thursday 9 December

# Bands For Boats



Fundraising for Friends' Rowing Club  
**Friday 27 November 2009** □

7.00pm – 10.00pm

**To be held at the Boatclub, Lallaby Road,  
Lutana.**

**UNDER 16's EVENT** □

\$10 entry. Supervised - No pass outs.  
Snacks and drinks available for sale.

Limited tickets sales only from Main School  
Office. Get in quick before they sell out !!!!!



## High School Wellbeing Meal Specials

<b>monday</b>	spiced lamb meatballs with herbed cous-cous	\$4.50
<b>tuesday</b>	chicken stir-fry noodle box	\$4.50
<b>wednesday</b>	the healthy burger with baked wedges – homemade beef patty, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, onion, light cheese & tomato chutney	\$5.00
<b>thursday</b>	roast of the day with vegetables & potatoes	\$5.00
<b>friday</b>	fish & wedges with lemon & tartare sauce	\$5.00

*add a 300ml Just Squeezed juice or bottled water  
for only \$1.50*